



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Chester Senior High School**  
**Chester County**  
**Grades: 9-12** **Enrollment: 882**  
**Principal: Mr. Jeff Gardner**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Agnes Slayman**  
**Board Chair: Mrs. Maggie J. James**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	F	N/A
2012	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	F	N/A
2011	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
12	10	12	0	1

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2012	2013	2012	2013
Passed 2 subtests (%)	68.1%	72.1%	74.0%	76.0%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	17.4%	13.5%	14.9%	14.3%
Passed no subtests (%)	14.5%	14.4%	11.1%	10.9%

## HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	87.2%	90.2%

## ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	251	195
Number of Diplomas	168	141
Rate (%)	66.9%	74.4%

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	78.3	72.0
English 1	49.8	64.8
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	55.2	73.0
US History and the Constitution	38.7	47.9
All Tests	55.8	61.9

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

### Abbreviations Key

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>Students (n=882)</b>				
Retention rate	9.5%	Down from 10.8%	3.6%	2.9%
Attendance rate	92.4%	Down from 92.9%	95.4%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	17.4%	N/A	15.6%	17.5%
With disabilities	11.3%	N/A	12.7%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	15.0%	N/A	9.7%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	23.5%	Up from 2.6%	1.5%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	18.3%	Up from 15.3%	7.6%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	37.0%	Down from 39.0%	41.0%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	40.9%	Up from 27.1%	30.2%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	2.7%	Down from 5.5%	2.7%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Enrollment in career/technology courses	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Teachers (n=47)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.4%	Up from 47.7%	59.4%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	87.2%	Down from 88.6%	77.5%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.7%	Up from 80.4%	83.6%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	94.0%	Down from 94.5%	95.3%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,393	Up 4.4%	\$48,207	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.7%	Down from 4.8%	3.6%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	13.1 days	Up from 12.6 days	9.7 days	9.8 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	6.5	Up from 5.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	26.9 to 1	Down from 27.1 to 1	26.9 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	85.5%	Down from 86.3%	89.0%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,824	Up 3.9%	\$8,214	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	51.0%	Down from 53.6%	54.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	51.0%	Down from 54.4%	58.0%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	97.8%	Up from 96.3%	97.8%	97.7%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	46.2	Down from 48.0	73.0	77.4

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	130	49
Percent satisfied with learning environment	86.1%	57.7%	73.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	90.5%	68.5%	50%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	44.2%	76%	61.2%

\*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status